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OT 5 in square 29. Lots 20, 21, in square 70
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POETRY.

There continue is not the stay of our beautions and

Are few, but deep and solemn, and they break Fresh from the fount of feeling.—Percival.

THE CURSED BOWL.

I asked a convict in his chains,
As down his cheeks the tears did roll,
What locked him up—what fired his brains
His answer was, 'the cursed bowl.'

I asked a man who went abroad, To write his name on fame's high scroll-What sent him back without reward? He answered thus-the cursed bowl.' asked a maid whose cheerless eye, Was moist with tears fresh from the soul-

What crushed her hopes; what broke the fie; 'Tire bowl,' she said, 'the cursed bowl.' asked a wife-a drunkard's wtfe-Why she trembled and appeared so droll?

She wildly said, 'O spare my life!'
A maniac's lips breathed—'curse the bowl. asked a mother, as her children strayed Beyond the reach of her control, What most she feared-she quickly said. 'God save them from the cursed bowl.

asked the boy in rags to tell me why, He begged his way from door to door-(Just then his sire came staggering by)

The cursed bowl——? I heard no more

And your banners to the breese unroll-Shrink not, but ever strive to break, And dash to earth-'the cursed bowl.'

Then friends of Temperance, awake,

From the Olive Branch. SONNETT-THE LAND OF DREAMS

love to wander in the Land of Dreams; That bright, mysterious land—the theme o song,

And now sweet fancies thick around m throng. That I have treasured from its fairy scenes.

With joyous memories my spirit teems,
For often there I wander to the gay And happy hour, of childhood's sunny day Till with its friends again in soul I seem! Often when sad in heart I seek that clime,

And 'mid its flowery groves forget my woe Find in the arms of sleep my happiest time, And wake refreshed, Life's toils to undergo. Blest Land of Dreams! Thou bringest richer

Unreal as thou art, than waking happiness.

CHOICE READING

"If you enlighten the people, do not forget that this is but half the work. Let them be made virtuous and religious, or you leave them more exposed to danger than they were before."

Written for the Weekly Visiter.

RALPH STANLEY: OR THE UNSIGNED PLEDGE.

A TRUE STORY.

[Concluded.]

violence of his feelings; and pushing her ing it to Dr. Darwin, said, gently aside he would, with a voice husky 'Take this, and remember that till the office of kindness for himself, while he sunk another drop of ardent spirits. into a fit of musing none of the most pleashis face told of the great mental perturbation; yet no permanent good seemed to result from these inward conflicts. Sometimes, indeed, he would refrain from drinking for a few days, but his habits had become too firmly established—the thraldom had existed too long to be quickly or lightly thrown off.

During the progress of the temperance reform he had been often urged to sign the pledge, and thus at once escape from the clutches of the fell destroyer. At first he had considered the whole affair a puerile and silly women, and had therefore, invaalways kept his word, that he rarely or never failed to perform, under any and all circumstances, however inconvenient, a promise he dad made; and that he seldom changed his mind or retracted any thing he had said. At length one of his former associates, a reformed inebriate, and now a temperance lecturer, visited S., and Mr. Stapley invited him to accept of his hospitality while he remained in the village .-This he consented to do, partly because he wished to stop some time with his former friend, and partly because he hoped to induce Mr. Stanley to abandon the use of all intoxicating liquors, as he himself had done. Before this time Mr. Stanley had become convinced that unless some radical change took place in his habits, the icy hand of death would soon be laid upon him. He was not blind to his danger; but with him april 22-tf [Nat. Intelligencer 3t.]

habit had become nature, his appetite had gained the ascendancy to such a degree as completely to control him.

He listened to the remarks of his friend

with little interest at first; for although he assented to the truths inculcated, he steadfastly adhered to his resolution not to sign the pledge; but at length, as Mr. Darwin feelingly related to him his own experience, the difficulties he had encountered, the pleasure he now enjoyed in comparison with what he did formerly, and the happiness he bad brought to his family and friends by his reformation, he became deeply affected, and the desire arose strongly within him to enjoy a similar happiness.

During the evening the lecturer continued to urge him by every argument in his power, by his regard for his temporal and eter ral welfare, by the love he borehis family and his respect for the good opinion of the world, to throw off the galling chains by which he was bound. His family listened with breathless attention to these appeals, and watched with intense interest their effect upon the husband and father; and many an earnest, heart-felt prayer went up to the Father of Mercies, asking that the softening influences of his spirit might turn the one they loved so well from the "error of his ways."

After Mr. Stanley retired for the night, he continued to revolve in his mind the events of the evening; for he was too much excited to sleep. He thought of his past life, how from taking a social glass with a friend the habit had increased, until he had nearly become that thing his soul hath loathed, a drunkard Although he hardly dared confess it even to himself, yet the stubborn truth forced itself upon him, that he had lost all control of himself which formerly had been his pride and boast. He had formed the resolution in his own mind several times, that he would cease to use any thing that could intoxicate; but as no one else had known of his determination he had yielded to some excuse to commence again. He feared that such might be case should he make another effort to be free without signing the pledge, which was declared to be a wonderful preventive against a return to old habits. This he had always absolutely refused to do, and to sign it now would not be at all compatible with his character. It therefore was not to be thought

The next day notice was circulated that Mr. Darwin would lecture in the village church that evening.

Mr. Stanley attended, and listened to a stirring, eloquent appeal to the hearts and consciousness of those who were addicted to the use of ardent spirits. He became more than ever convinced of the necessity of reformation on his own part, and determined to make another attempt, relying not on his own strength, but on that of Him in whom is all power.

The next morning Mr. Darwin was making preparations to depart, and was conversing with some of the members of the voice almost inaudible by sobs, implore him family who were gathered sadly around him, thinking he was about to leave with-Towson's. About 10,000 square feet of ground in square 231, this is at the southwest corner of the square, corner of C and 15. Lot 2, in square 257, with 5 frame houses. Lot 1, 2, 3, and 4, in square 294, with 4 frame houses. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, being the whole of square 399. Part of lot with a neat frame house in square 325, this lot and the demon that enslaved him, was ter- and seizing an axe standing near, at one rible. His breast would heave with the stroke cleft it nearly asunder: then present-

with emotion, bid her perform some little parts unite again, Ralph Stanley drinks not

This event, so unlooked for, so unexing—if his appearance was an index to his pected to his family, nearly stupified them feelings. The working of the muscles of for a moment; the next, Kate threw her arms around the neck of her father, and bathed his cheek with tears; while more than one eye was moist beside those of Kate, as the others gathered around to express their joy. Mr. Darwin took his leave that morning, bearing with him the blessings of a happy family, and the precious pledge upon which Mr. Stanley, although he would not sign his name, yet had 'made his mark."

Should this meet the eye of any one who has heretofore refused to sign a pledge, but has since regretted that he formed such a affair, well enough, perhaps, for weak men resolution, let him ponder upon his course, let him remember that the mere signing riably refused. He was a man, too, who of his name is not what constitutes a prided himself greatly on the fact that he pledge, and that if he finds it necessary to pledge himself, there are other methods beside that of placing his name to a written one. To such a one permit me to respectfully say, 'go thou and do likewise.'

MIDDLETOWN, CT., 1846.

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